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NOTE VERBALE DATED 18 FEBRUARY 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 15 and 17 February 1993, there appears to have been one rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 3 of that resolution. Details as to the time and itinerary of this flight are annexed to the present note.

The violation was immediately protested by UNPROFOR to the party concerned.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force
(15-17 February 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed altitude
				[15 February: no violations reported]	
				[16 February: no violations reported]	
445	17 February	0700	Unknown	A Krajina Serb Mi-8 MEDEVAC flight was approved to transport casualties from Knin to Banja Luka hospital. On 17 February at 0700Z the flight departed Banja Luka but did not arrive in Knin, was not tracked by AWACS, and its whereabouts remain unknown.	Unknown Unknown Unknown

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NOTE VERBALE DATED 22 FEBRUARY 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 18 and 21 February 1993, there appear to have been eight flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 3 of that resolution. Details as to the time and the itinerary of these flights are annexed to the present note verbale.

All confirmed violations were immediately protested by UNPROFOR to the party concerned.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(18-21 February 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
			[18 February: no violations reported]		
446	19 February	0529	0541	AWACS reported a track 40 nautical miles east of Banja Luka in the vicinity of Podnovlje. The aircraft, probably a helicopter, was tracked for 12 minutes.	South-west 60 kts Unknown
447	19 February	0940	n/a	A Gazelle helicopter, registration number 12709, was reported by UNMOs at Banja Luka, taking off from Zaluzani airfield at 0940Z. The aircraft departed towards the south for an unknown destination and was not checked before take-off by UNMOs from Banja Luka.	South Unknown Unknown
448	19 February	0940	n/a	A second Gazelle helicopter, registration number 12655, was reported by UNMOs at Banja Luka, taking off from Zaluzani airfield at 0940Z. The aircraft departed towards the south-west for an unknown destination and was not checked before take-off by UNMOs from Banja Luka.	South-west Unknown Unknown
449	19 February	1045	1045	The British Battalion reported an unknown, fixed-wing, twin-engine aircraft 20 nautical miles south of Sarajevo. The aircraft was not detected by AWACS and was operating in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs. No UNPROFOR or UNHCR flights were reported as operating in the area at that time. This report is subject to further investigation.	North-west Unknown Unknown

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
450	19 February	n/a	n/a	The headquarters, BH Command, Kiseljak reported a helicopter flying over the city of Konjic (20 nautical miles south-west of Sarajevo) for approximately one hour. This aircraft was reported as a Serbian reconnaissance helicopter; it was not detected by AWACS and was operating in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs. This report is subject to further investigation.	Orbiting Unknown Unknown
451	20 February	n/a	1045	Two MI-8 helicopters were reported landing at Tuzla airfield at 1045Z. These aircraft were reported as having flown from Visoko (20 nautical miles north-west of Sarajevo). They were not detected by AWACS.	Unknown Unknown Unknown
452	21 February	0840	0903	AWACS detected a track 38 nautical miles south-east of Mostar, over the town of Bileca. The aircraft was tracked for 23 minutes and eventually faded from radar coverage 62 nautical miles north-east of Dubrovnik over the town of Pljevlja. It was assessed as a probable helicopter and flew in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	North-east 130 kts 2,500 feet
453	21 February	1033	1044	AWACS detected a track 37 nautical miles south-east of Mostar, in the vicinity of the town of Bilec. The aircraft was tracked for 11 minutes and faded from radar coverage 10 nautical miles south-west of Bileca. The track was assessed as a probable helicopter and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-west 60 kts Low, less than 1,000 feet

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NOTE VERBALE DATED 25 FEBRUARY 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 22 and 24 February 1993, there appear to have been three flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 3 of that resolution. In addition there has been two flights on 21 February. Details as to the time and the itinerary of these flights are attached as annexes I and II to this note verbale.

All confirmed violations were immediately protested by UNPROFOR to the party concerned.

Annex I

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(22-24 February 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
				[22 Feb: no violations reported]	
				[23 Feb: no violations reported]	
456	24 Feb.	0901	0920	AWACS detected a track 4 nautical miles north of Banja Luka airfield heading north-west. The aircraft was tracked for 19 minutes and eventually faded from radar coverage 3 nautical miles east of Banja Luka airfield. The aircraft was assessed as a probable helicopter and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Northwest 80 kts Unknown
457	24 Feb.	1107	1113	AWACS detected a track 1 nautical mile south-west of Banja Luka airfield heading south-west. The aircraft was tracked for 6 minutes before fading from radar coverage 4 nautical miles south-west of Banja Luka airfield. The aircraft was assessed as a probable helicopter and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-west Slow 7,900 feet
458	24 Feb.	1254	1303	AWACS detected a track 35 nautical miles north-east of Dubrovnik in the vicinity of the town of Gacko. The aircraft was tracked for 9 minutes and eventually faded from radar coverage 15 nautical miles north-east of Dubrovnik over the town of Bileca. The aircraft was assessed as a probable helicopter and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-west 116 kts 5,400 feet

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Annex II

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(Addition to 21 February 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
454	21 Feb.	Unknown	1202	United Nations military observers reported an MI-8 helicopter landing at Podgorica airfield (Titograd) at 1205Z. It was known to have flown from the town of Bileca (37 nautical miles south-east of Mostar). The aircraft was not detected by AWACS and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-east Unknown Unknown
455	21 Feb.	1404	Unknown	The same MI-8 returned to Bileca. UNMOs reported it taking off from Podgorica at 1404Z. The helicopter routed via the town of Niksic (25 nautical miles north-west of Titograd) and entered the "No Fly Zone" 10 nautical miles east of Bileca. The aircraft was not detected by AWACS and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North-west Unknown Unknown

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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 25 and 28 February 1993, there appear to have been three flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 3 of that resolution. Details as to the time and the itinerary of these flights are annexed to the present note.

All confirmed violations were immediately protested by UNPROFOR to the party concerned.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(25-28 February 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed altitude
				[25-26 Feb.: no violations reported]	
459 460	27 Feb.	0544	0655	Two helicopters departed from Tuzla for Srebrenica carrying food supplies. There were five persons on board each aircraft, all armed with AK-47 rifles. The helicopters returned to Tuzla without cargo. It is assessed that the cargo was off-loaded in the Srebrenica area. The two MI-8 helicopters are the same that flew from Lucko to Visoko on 17 February carrying medical supplies. These are also the same aircraft that were observed on the ground at Visoko on 17 February and at Tuzla on 24 February. The area in which the aircraft operated is controlled by Bosnian Muslims.	1. South-east unknown unknown 2. North-west unknown unknown
461	27 Feb.	1327	1333	AWACS detected a track 35 nautical miles north-east of Dubrovnik in the vicinity of Gacko. The aircraft was heading south-west, and was tracked for 6 minutes before fading from radar contact 20 nautical miles north-east of Dubrovnik over the town of Bileca. The aircraft was assessed as a probable helicopter and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-west 180 knots 1,200 feet
				[28 Feb.: no violations reported]	

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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 1 and 3 March 1993, there appears to have been one flight of rotary wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with operative paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with operative paragraph 3 of that resolution. Details as to the time and the itinerary of this flight are attached as an annex to this note verbale.

All confirmed violations were immediately protested by UNPROFOR to the party concerned.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(1-3 March 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed altitude
462	1 Mar.	unknown	10.30	A Gazelle helicopter was reported landing at Banja Luka Military Hospital airfield at 10.30Z. The Bosnian Serb liaison officer reported to UNMOs that the purpose of the flight was to recover fuses for the aircraft from Banja Luka Hospital. There were two crew members on board and the aircraft was unarmed. The flight was not approved by UNPROFOR and is therefore a violation of the No Fly Zone.	Unknown
				[2-3 March: no violations reported]	

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NOTE VERBALE DATED 8 MARCH 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 4 and 7 March 1993, there appear to have been three flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 3 of that resolution. Details as to the time and the itinerary of these flights are attached as an annex to this note verbale.

ANNEX

INFORMATION ON FLIGHTS IN THE AIRSPACE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE UNITED NATIONS PROTECTION FORCE

(4-7 March 1993)

SRL	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
463	4 Mar.	12.39	12.43	AWACS detected a track 35 nautical miles north-east of Banja Luka. The aircraft was heading south-east, tracked for 4 minutes before fading from radar contact 40 nautical miles east of Banja Luka. The aircraft was assessed as fixed-wing and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-east 280 kts 15,000-22,000 ft.
464	5 Mar.	20.15	20.47	An unidentified, low-speed aircraft, was detected 10 nautical miles north-west of Mahovljani (Banja Luka) heading south-west. It was tracked by an UNMO on the ACC Zagreb search radar until it faded from cover 5 nautical miles south-west of Sanski Most (25 nautical miles west of Banja Luka). The track was assessed as a probable helicopter.	West south-west 60-80 kts Unknown
				[6 March: no violations reported]	
465	7 Mar.	15.15	15.15	While driving on the main road 5 miles north of Banja Luka, members of the Banja Luka Airfield Monitoring Team observed a green Gazelle helicopter flying at approximately 500 feet, heading north. There were no aircraft reported taking off or landing at Banja Luka airfields. The aircraft will be protested with local authorities.	North Slow 500 feet

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NOTE VERBALE DATED 11 MARCH 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 8 and 10 March 1993, there appear to have been two flights of fixed or rotary wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with operative paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with operative paragraph 3 of that resolution. Details as to the time and the itinerary of these flights are attached as annex I to this note verbale.

Annex I

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(8-10 March 1993)

SRL	DATE	START	END	REMARKS	HEADING, SPEED, ALTITUDE
				[8-9 March: no violations reported]	
466	10 Mar	10.51	10.53	AWACS detected an aircraft, probably a helicopter, 2 nautical miles east of Banja Luka. It was tracked for 2 minutes and faded from radar over the centre of town. UNMOs observed no movements at Zaluzani or Mahovljani which could have been attributed to this aircraft.	West 120 kts Unknown
467	10 Mar	14.19	14.22	AWACS detected an unidentified aircraft, probably a helicopter, 5 nautical miles south of Gacko. The aircraft faded from radar 10 nautical miles north of Bileca, approximately 3 nautical miles west of the Bosnia and Herzegovina/Montenegro border.	South-west 100 kts Unknown